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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS, 1924-1971

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However, Southeastern and Big Eight teams have won all of their titles since 1950, while the Big Ten owns six and Notre Dame one since 1950. In terms of national titles won, the top coaches since 1924 have been Notre Dame's Frank Leahy and Minnesota's Bernie Bierman, with four each. The AP poll was originated in 1936, the UPI poll in 1950. Prior to the polls, the Rissman (1924-30) and Knute Rockne (1931-35) trophies symbolized the championships. Here's the list of titlists:

1971—Nebraska 1970—Nebraska, Texas 1969—Texas 1968—Ohio State 1967—Southern Cal 1966—Notre Dame 1965—Ala., Mich. St. 1964—Alabama 1963—Texas 1962—Southern Cal 1961—Alabama 1960—Minnesota	1957—Auburn, Ohio St. 1956—Oklahoma 1955—Oklahoma 1954—Ohio St., UCLA 1953—Maryland 1952—Michigan State 1951—Tennessee 1950—Oklahoma 1949—Notre Dame	1947—Notre Dame 1946—Notre Dame 1945—Army 1944—Army 1943—Notre Dame 1942—Ohio State 1941—Minnesota 1940—Minnesota 1939—Texas A&M 1938—TCU 1937—Pittsburgh 1936—Minnesota	1935—SMU 1934—Minnesota 1933—Michigan 1932—Michigan 1931—Southern Cal 1930—Notre Dame 1929—Notre Dame 1928—Southern Cal 1927—Illinois 1926—Stanford 1925—Dartmouth 1924—Notre Dame
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NATIONAL RATINGS, 1936-971

Notre Dame and Oklahoma have been the nation's most successful majors in 36 years of wire-service polls. Counting 10 points for each first, 9 for second and so on, the Irish have 151 points, the Sooners 111. Over the last 10 seasons, find the second seco five teams and coaches have dominated the rankings: Texas (Darrell Royal) 50 points, Alabama (Bear Bryant) 49, Notre Dame (Ara Parseghian) 45, Nebraska (Bob Devaney) 43 and Southern Cal (John McKay) 40. The leaders:

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Humm, a southpaw slinger whose popularity with the nation's recruiters was due to more than his home in Las Vegas. Also available is Terry Luck And for what else Nebraska has available in the way of talent, you need

only glance at the 1971 or pre-1972 All-America teams. You'll find names like middle guard Rich Glover, slotback Johnny Rodgers, defensive end Willie Harper and secondaryman Joe Blahak.

Oklahoma's Fairbanks had a six-pack of candidates to succeed Mildren in spring practice. If one doesn't break out of the pack, Fairbanks might even consider a couple of bright freshmen, who are now eligible nationwide

Oklahoma's star list is headed by center Tom Brahaney and halfback Greg Pruitt, who were All-Americans, and halfback Joe Wylie, who was supposed to be but was felled by injuries. On defense, the stable of horses is led by Raymond Hamilton, Derland Moore and Lucious Selmon.

Texas has the same potentially fatal malady as Oklahoma, loss of its Wishbone quarterback. In Texas' case, it was losses not loss, since both Eddie Phillips and pictal leaves as a capital state of the control of the Eddie Phillips and pinch-hitter supreme Donnie Wigginton were seniors But Texas also thinks that even great quarterbacks can be replaced.



